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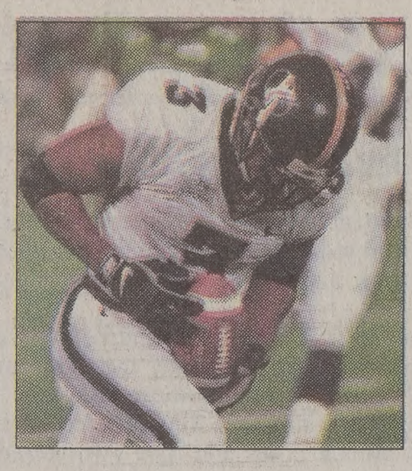

**Ex-players in 'X' league**

Former Y stars are drafted into the XFL, a WWF-inspired football league

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# Gore defends court action

AFP photo

Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore addresses the nation on television Monday from his residence in Washington, D.C. Gore called for a "complete count" of all votes cast for president in Florida and decried what he said were efforts to stall the process of tallying ballots.

*Associated Press*

Al Gore defended his unprecedented reach to the courts Monday, declaring "let the people have their say" by reopening Florida recounts that could reverse the state's make-or-break presidential election results.

George W. Bush plunged into the work of building a new government even as rank-and-file Democrats warned Gore that his time may be running out.

A day after Bush summoned TV cameras to press for Gore's concession, the vice president laid out his case for letting the courts decide the fairness of Florida's long vote count: "This is America. When votes are cast, we count them. We don't arbitrarily set them aside because it's too difficult to count them," he said before a prime-time television audience.

It was perhaps Gore's last, best chance to explain why the closest presidential election in 124 years didn't end Sunday night when Florida's top elections officer, a GOP partisan, certified Bush the winner by 537 votes out of 6 million cast.

Gore protested the results in a Florida state court earlier Monday, becoming the first candidate in U.S. history to contest a

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# Election results good for Canadian Liberal Party

*Associated Press*

OTTAWA — Prime Minister Jean Chretien's gamble for a place in Canadian history paid off Monday as his Liberal Party appeared to have won a third straight majority in nationwide elections, according to Canadian news organizations.

The Liberals won or had solid leads in more than 160 of the races for the 301 seats in the House of Commons, more than enough seats to guarantee them a majority, according to projections by the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. and the news agency Canadian Press.

The news organizations said they based their projections on official results coming across the country of 30 million people.

The results were clearest in the more heavily populated eastern Canada. Returns were still being counted in much of central and western Canada.

The result appeared to reflect that Canadians were enjoying an economic boom and looked forward to Liberal promises of $67 billion tax cuts over five years. It also appeared that Canadians were willing to forgive Chretien, 66, for calling the election just 3 1/2 years into his second five-year term.

Monday's apparent outcome was similar to the previous vote in 1997, when the Liberals won 155 of the 301 House of Commons seats. The majority victory means Chretien will be the longest-serving leader of the world's industrial powers when President Clinton steps down in January.

It would also secure his legacy as one of only three Liberal leaders able to deliver three straight majority victories, something that even Pierre Trudeau was unable to do.

Trudeau's death in September, and the subsequent emotional outpouring that boosted Liberal support, contributed to Chretien's decision to take a chance with an early vote that could evoke a backlash from voters.

He also wanted to prevent the newly formed Canadian Alliance from gaining momentum in its efforts to consolidate conservative support, and needed to fend off moves within his own Liberal Party to make him step aside.

Failure to win a majority would likely have forced out Chretien as party leader in favor of heir apparent Paul Martin, the finance minister who has much greater personal popularity.

Regardless of the outcome, no change was expected in Canada-U.S. relations. The two countries form the world's largest two-way trade partnership, with Canada's economic growth in recent years dependent on a similar boom south of the border in the dominant U.S. economy.

Voting ran smoothly in most areas, though problems with voters lists occurred at some polling stations. In Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, election officer Bill Claire said some lists were missing entire streets or buildings.

"Whole groups of people are simply not on the list — people who have lived in Halifax and Dartmouth for 40 years and have voted in five elections," Claire said. "Why it ended up in such a mess, I don't know."

Elections Canada spokesman Hal Doran noted people left off voters lists could register at polling stations. He said the problems were about the same as other federal elections.

Newsmaker photo

A Canadian Reform Alliance Progressive Party poster, left, hangs opposite rows of posters featuring Bloc Quebecois leader Gilles Duceppe on Monday, Federal Election Day, in downtown Montreal.

# Council to discuss Orem zoning on 800 North

**By Craig Blackwell**
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*NewsNet Staff Writer*

The Orem City Council returns from Thanksgiving vacation tonight to discuss zoning issues on 800 North.

For residents who live on or near 800 North, the small country lane they knew years ago has turned into a major highway. Some neighbors have had to welcome new businesses and refer to them as neighbors.

The Council will discuss a request to rezone property at 800 North and 1500 East. The area is zoned as residential, but the Council could decide to change the zoning to allow businesses.

The owner of a 0.8-acre piece of property wants to develop it into professional office space, according to a news release.

Access to the area would come through the existing professional-office property to the west.

Little opposition arose when neighbors to the land at issue met and discussed the proposal, according to Orem City.

"Professional offices along 800 North is probably the best idea for that street," said resident Donna Urien. "I worry about any other kind of commercial developments because of the increased traffic they will dump into our neighborhoods."

The Council will also present an award to various citizens for their contributions. The award was named after late Mayor Joe Nelson.

The OK2BKIND Joe Nelson Courtesy Award will be presented tonight to Wayne Peterson, Ennis Evjen and Rex and Doris Peterson.

Mayor Jerry Washburn said friends, co-workers or family members nominate award recipients.

Tonight will also be one of Council member Mike Thompson's last City Council meetings before he moves on to the Utah State Legislature.

"I have enjoyed being on the Council and working with a lot of good people," he said. "I learned that elected officials need to be approachable by those they represent. I have also learned that compromise is good for a community."

Thompson, R-Orem, said he has learned that it is possible to step across party lines and work together.

Thompson said it is important for elected officials to be flexible and not so set in their ways that they lose sight of the good of the community.

## FORUM

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*— Erin Kingrey*

## LOCAL

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*—Emma Barrett*

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*—Doug Anderson*

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# News Briefs

*Compiled from staff and news service reports*

## Cosco recalls dangerous highchairs

WASHINGTON — Baby-equipment-maker Cosco is recalling about 1 million highchairs for infants and toddlers after receiving 57 reports of children being injured when their seats collapsed or restraints gave way.

The Columbus, Ind. based company has received 168 reports of incidents involving the high chairs' seats or restraints, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said Monday. Among those hurt were 12 children monitored for head injuries and others who suffered bumps and bruises, swollen eyes, and bloody noses and lips. Two suffered slight concussions.

In the seat's recline position, the recalled seats can separate from the frame and fall. In the upright position, the seats can slip from their set height to the lowest position or fall to the ground. Additionally, some seats were sold with a metal restraint anchor that can slip through the back of the seat, allowing the child to fall.

## Clinton accepts invitation to Ireland

WASHINGTON — President Clinton will travel to Britain and Northern Ireland Dec. 12-14 to support a faltering peace process there, the White House officials announced Monday.

The president's trip is a response to invitations from prime ministers Tony Blair of Britain and Bertie Ahern of Ireland, as well as David Trimble, first minister in the new Northern Ireland government, and Seamus Mallon, deputy leader of the province's moderate Roman Catholic Social Democratic and Labor Party, White House officials said.

"Building on the progress that's been achieved in implementing the Good Friday accords, the president hopes that this visit will help to overcome current difficulties on the path to lasting peace in Northern Ireland," said White House press secretary Jake Siewert.

## Physical education sags in Utah schools

SALT LAKE CITY — Children are less physically fit and more at risk for health complications now than in years past, but Utah schools are doing little to reverse the trend.

Physical and dietary habits develop early but perhaps fewer than 10 of Utah's 470 elementary schools have physical education specialists.

Instead, the state relies on elementary teachers with little physical education training, giving them responsibility for planting the seeds for physical fitness.

Sometimes children receive their first real exposure to PE in middle school. By then, it's probably too late.

Utah requires that high school students earn 1.5 credits of physical education to graduate, in line with most states.

Utah students must take twice as many credits in language arts and more than six times as many elective credits.

Forty percent of Utah high school students reported taking no PE classes in 1999, a Utah Youth Risk Behavior survey shows.

## Police work overtime for seatbelt safety

Law officers worked overtime to enforce seatbelt laws over the Thanksgiving holiday.

The misuse of seatbelts, speeding and impaired drivers are the Utah Highway Patrol's biggest safety concerns, said Sgt. David Decker.

A federal program called Always Buckle-up Children Mobilization provides enough money to pay officers to work five-hour shifts during off-days. During these shifts, officers emphasize making sure children and their parents are using seatbelts, he said.

Sixty to 70 percent of Utah drivers comply with the state's seatbelt law, Decker said.

"Under the law, the driver and all passengers must be belted in if there are available seatbelts," he said.

If there are passengers under 19 years old not wearing seatbelts, the vehicle can be pulled over and cited.

If the unrestrained passengers are over 19, another violation must be committed for an officer to pull a vehicle over.

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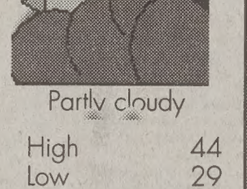
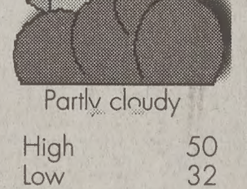
| High 45 as of |  |  |
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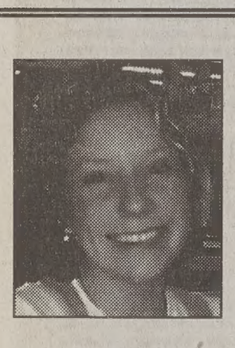
# Scripture of the Day



"Brethren, shall we not go forward in so great a cause? Go forward and not backward. Courage, brethren; and on, on to victory! Let your hearts rejoice, and be exceedingly glad. Let the earth break forth into singing. Let the dead speak forht anthems of eternal praise to the King Immanuel, who hath ordained, before the world was, that which would enable us to redeem them out of their prison; for the prisoners shall go free."

—D&C 128:22

Rebecca Johnson, 21, from Fresno, Calif., majoring in English likes this scripture because "it reminds me of the reason we're here and how to live your life."

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## election *from page 1*

presidential election before the judiciary. His lawyers asked for a quick hearing, but may not get one before the end of the week.

And on Friday, the U.S. Supreme Court is set to hear GOP argument against recounts.

The stakes could hardly be higher.

"If the people do not in the end choose me, so be it," Gore said standing at a presidential-style lectern before a dozen American flags in the vice presidential residence. "The outcome will have been fair, and the people will have spoken."

"If they choose me, so be it. I would then commit to bringing this country together. But, whatever the outcome, let the people have their say, and let us listen," Gore said, hours after Democratic leaders and President Clinton queued up to show their support.

With the agonizingly close election stretching into its fourth week, neither side appeared ready to give way in a fierce struggle that has entangled the judiciary in the business of presidential politics, threatening to spill past the Dec. 12 deadline for selecting state electors.

For his part, Bush moved quickly to take on the work, if not the title, of president-elect. Running mate Dick Cheney criticized the Clinton-Gore administration for refusing Bush access to $5.3 million in government transition funds and a federal office building set aside for the presidential changeover. He announced the Bush team would raise donations to finance its own operation.

"This is regrettable because we believe the government has an obligation to honor the certifiable results of an election," Cheney said at a Washington news conference, naming an executive director and press secretary for the transition team.

In the sort of juxtaposition that has been a hallmark of this ever-shifting election dispute, Cheney's news conference got under way just as lawyers gathered in a Florida court room to discuss Gore's election protest. Cable TV viewers saw history in the making, split screen.

Cheny took a swipe at Gore for not dropping out, as the Bush team sought to rush the vice president from the race before the courts have an opportunity to renew recounts.

Gore is "still unwilling to accept the outcome. That is unfortunate in light of the penalty that may have to be paid at some future date if the next administration is not allowed to prepare to take the reins of government," Cheney said.

Gore believes he would overtake Bush if the final tally would include recounted ballots that were rejected by Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris - minus the 174 votes added to Bush's lead during what Democrats claim was an illegal, eleventh-hour scramble for GOP ballots, including military votes from overseas.

The vice president faces a tough legal fight — persuading a court to overturn a certified election — and an electorate with limited patience.

An overnight poll by ABC and the Washington Post found that 60 percent of those surveyed thought the vice president should concede. Thirty-five percent said he should not.

Democrats plan to step up their public relations campaign Tuesday, putting forward Florida voters who say they feared their votes for Gore were not counted.

"A vote is not just a piece of paper," Gore said in the television speech. "A vote is a human voice — a statement of human principle, and we must not let those voices be silenced."

His brief appearance was part of a fierce public relations by both sides — the Gore camp trying to show Democratic solidarity and the Bush team attempting to discredit the vice president's challenge of the Florida certification.

The vice president was handed a heavy burden when a Florida Supreme Court deadline expired Sunday night, freeing Harris to declare her political ally the winner of Florida's election and America's White House.

Gore's lawyers protested results from Miami-Dade, Palm Beach and Nassau counties and asked the judge to "certify that the tru… accurate results of the 2000 p… dential election in Florida is… the electors of Al Gore and… Lieberman received the ma… of the votes cast in the electio…

The case was assigned to J… N. Sanders Sauls, a folksy … with broad authority under Fl… law to "c Bush's brother, Fl… Gov. Jeb Bush, quietly signed the p… work required by federal la… certify Bush the winner… Florida's 25 electoral votes, … would put him one vote ove… 270 required to become … nation's 43rd president - if o… uphold brother Jeb's verdict.

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Urging Americans not to r… judgment, House Minority L… Dick Gephardt and S… Minority Leader Tom Da… conducted a conference call … Gore from Florida. Gephardt … the certified totals were "in… plete and inaccurate and it's … mature for either side to de… victory or concede."

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The New York Times Crossword puzzle

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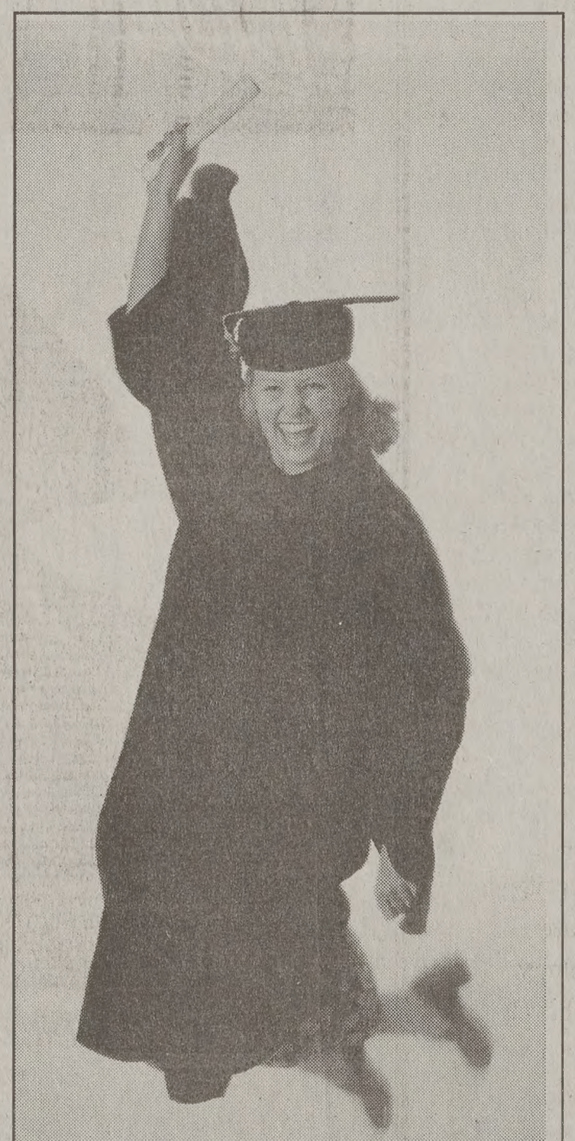
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Cheney's appearance was part of a public relations struggle played out during the day, the Gore campaign attempting to show Democratic solidarity and the Bush team attempting to discredit the vice president's challenge of the Florida certification.

Cheney, only a few days removed from a mild heart attack, named the first two staff appointments to Bush's transition team, and said Cabinet appointments were possible in the next several days, but not certain.

He said Bush had named Ari Fleischer, a campaign spokesman, to assume those duties for his transition, and that gubernatorial chief of staff Clay Johnson would also move over.

Cheney made his remarks on the afternoon after Bush named him to serve as head of the transition team, and after the General Services Administration refused to make official transition space available, saying its hands were tied as long as the outcome of the election was in doubt.

Cheney said a top Bush aide, Andy Card, had telephoned White House chief of staff John Podesta to discuss the transition, but so far, had not heard back.

Cheney spoke roughly an hour after President Clinton discussed the transition in remarks at the beginning of a Cabinet meeting. Clinton signed an executive order creating a "transition coordinating council" to help the next president ease into office.

He also said if it were up to him, he would offer help to both challengers for the White House, a signal he was not yet ready to write off Gore's chances of prevailing in his unprecedented court challenge.

Cheney, flanked by more than a dozen American flags, said he and Bush understood when taxpayer transition funds were held up while Florida recounts were pending.

"Now that the election results ... have been certified in accordance with Florida state law ... we believe it is time to get on with the business of the transition," Cheney said.

He said he was "disappointed" when the General Services Administration announced it would "continue to deny us access" to the office space and $5.3 million in funds approved by Congress.

"This is regrettable because we believe the government has an obligation to honor the certified results of the election," he said.

## Gore seeks court order to win state

*Associated Press*

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Al Gore's lawyers contested the certification of Florida's election in court Monday, seeking an order to have him, not George W. Bush, declared winner of the state and therefore the presidency.

They accused Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris and election commissioners of misconduct for disallowing votes that might have overcome Bush's 537-vote lead.

Gore, speaking publicly, urged the court to look at the challenges raised in his lawsuit and "do the right thing."

But Republicans said Gore was needlessly dragging out the contest and complicating the presidential transition.

"We can't continue to hold the process up while he is in denial," said Rep. J.C. Watts, R-Okla.

In an address to the nation Monday night, Gore committed himself to contesting the election in court and predicted that when future generations study this episode, "They will learn that we were indeed a country of laws.

Gore's challenge to the results in Palm Beach, Nassau and Miami-Dade counties was assigned to Circuit Judge N. Sanders Sauls, known for his swift action, and he held a hearing Monday afternoon.

Sauls ordered Gore's lawyers to provide the Bush team with its evidence and witness list within two days and gave Bush's lawyers two days to respond - meaning the case might not be heard until the week's end.

Exhibiting a folksy demeanor, he told the lawyers he understood their difficulty trying to get the case resolved before the Dec. 12 deadline for selection of electors.

"You're all trial lawyers and trial lawyers live a dreadful existence," the judge drawled. "You're always in some crisis."

Gore lawyer Dexter Douglass pressed for speed.

"We've got to move this case," he said. "This case will be determinative in all probability of the election."

One issue which threatened to derail progress was a Gore team request to transport some 13,000 ballots from all three counties to Tallahassee in case they need to be examined by the court.

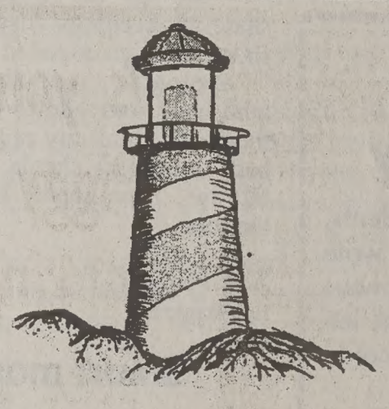
Gore attorney David Boies suggested it might be necessary for the judge to look at the ballots, which Sauls called "an unappetizing prospect." Boies said, "None of us can afford to fail here."

The Bush lawyers opposed moving the ballots. The judge did not immediately decide.

Barry Richard, the attorney representing Bush, said that by requesting a special master to examine the contested ballots the Gore campaign is essentially asking for another canvassing board. "The law doesn't contemplate another recount," Barry said after the hearing.

In another development, the Florida Supreme Court asked for legal briefs by 5 p.m. on Tuesday on whether the justices should review the infamous "butterfly ballot" case in Palm Beach County.

Rather than dismissing the matter on its face, they asked for arguments on "all issues in this case including why this court should exercise its discretion" to hear the case.

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Susan Easton Black joined the faculty of Brigham Young University in 1978, after receiving a doctorate from BYU in educational psychology. She is currently a professor of Church history and doctrine and is past associate dean of General Education and Honors.

Dr. Black received the Karl G. Maeser Distinguished Teaching Award in 1991. She has authored, edited, and compiled over 80 books and as many articles. One of her most recent books is In the Footsteps of Jesus.

She is married to Harvey B. Black. Sister Black currently serves as a curriculum writer for the Church.

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# Provo roads need cease-fire for safety

Sometimes it takes a tragedy to wake everyone up to the reality of an existing problem. Last week, BYU student Jennifer Davidson died after being hit by a car while crossing University Avenue against the traffic light. Was she in the wrong? Yes, she was crossing when the "don't walk" sign was on. After an accident like this, though, does it really matter who legally was in the wrong?

What this tragedy has done is push into the spotlight two problems that have plagued BYU for years into the spotlight where they must be addressed. Something must be done about the dangerous impulses and seemingly combative nature of the drivers and the pedestrians in Provo. In light of this horrible accident, we must call a campuswide cease-fire in which all of us need to make conscious efforts to be safer on the roads as drivers and pedestrians.

For years now, BYU students and Provo residents in general have had running jokes as to how rude and horrible the drivers in the area are and how student pedestrians act like they own the roads. Through the years, The Daily Universe has run countless letters to the editor concerning the lack of respect and caution of the drivers and countless editorial cartoons depicting pedestrians lying in wait behind bushes, ready to pounce out into the road as soon as a cars appear.

You would be hard pressed to find a driver here at BYU who has not had problems with these things. We all have had pedestrians run in front of our cars, determined to cross the street no matter how dark it is or what the weather conditions are like. There are few things more heart-stopping than seeing someone a few feet away from your car and slamming on the brakes to avoid hitting him or her.

We also have all been on the other side of the equation while walking across 700 North, seeing a car fly past at 80 mph, all revved up just to show off its new muffler-free sound. These problems are not caused by Timpview High kids or other Provo residents. The fact is, there is no one to blame but us. We talk about the problems and generally think the perpetrators are someone else, but never us. Unfortunately, all of us have been driving and crossing streets for so long, we do it all out of impulse instead of with alert caution.

What this détente will come down to is some common courtesy and sucking up some pride. Each of us needs to stop taking everything bad that happens on the streets so personally. Perhaps it is because we feel the need to be so friendly with one another when face to face that we feel the need to let loose our inhibitions when we drive. Suddenly a person trying to merge into your lane becomes the enemy trying to display some sort of dominance over you. When a car keeps charging ahead even though it is clear that you, the pedestrian, have a crosswalk and the right of way, you want to take that step out in front just to teach the driver a lesson.

Some of the rules of this cease-fire are not so obvious but will go a long way in decreasing animosity. For instance, in the mornings when a steady stream of people seem to be walking across the street and cars have been backed up without moving for a while, even though you have the right of way, stop to let some cars go by. If a car is driving along fast, do not challenge it to a game of chicken just because you are in the right. It has been said that it is better to lose a second of your life than your life in a second.

For the cars, come to a stop to let a pedestrian cross, even though it is just one person. Keep the speed under 30 mph when driving around student areas; people are constantly walking and jogging through these streets. In spirit these are all fine rules, but without everyone making an effort to put others first, they mean nothing.

It is said that those who do not learn from history are destined to repeat it. We can go on blaming everyone else for the poor state of the streets, and the pain of others will be for naught. If nothing changes, more accidents are sure to happen around student housing; and when accidents happen and people get hurt, in the end it really

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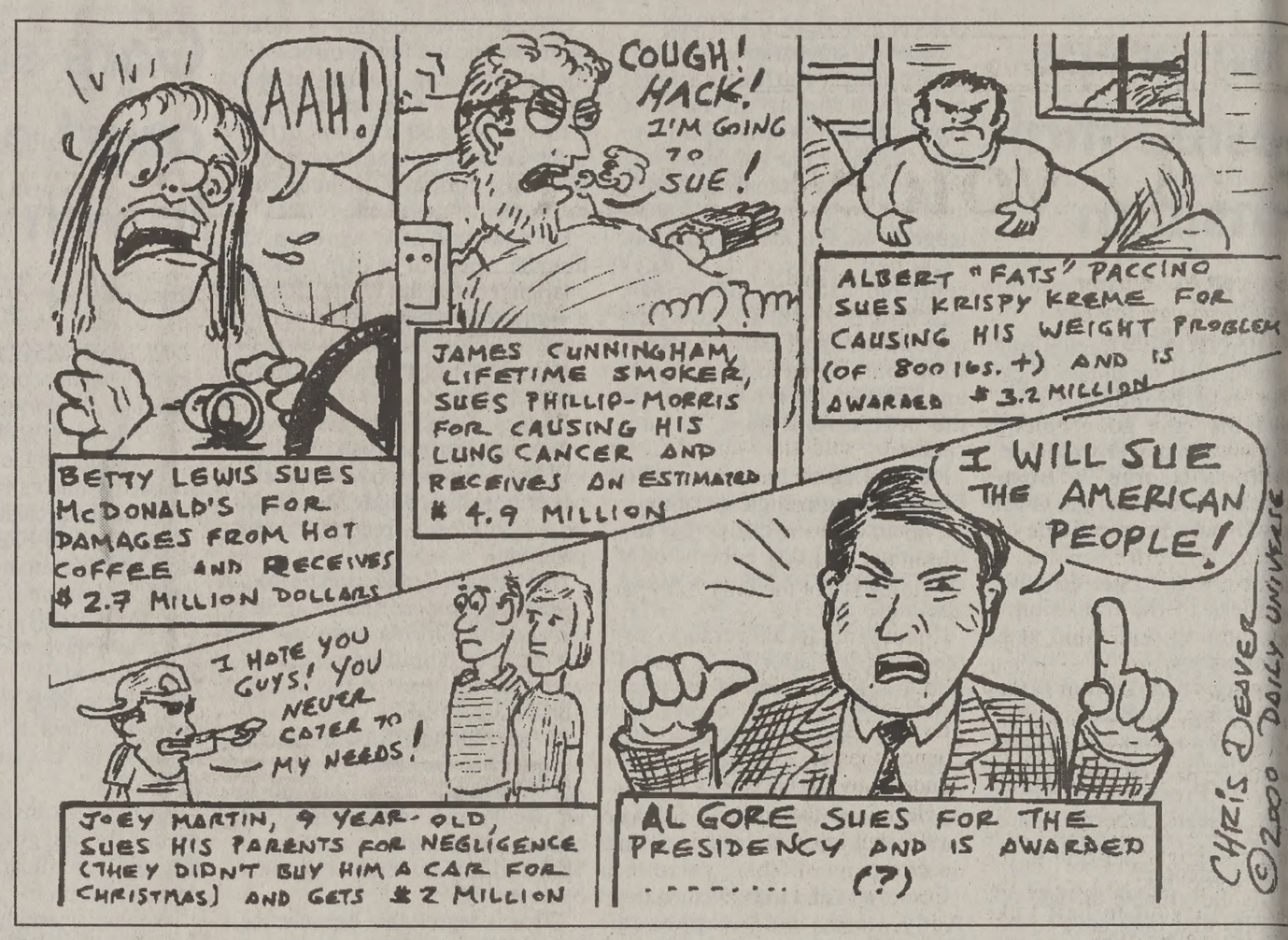
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## VIEWPOINT

# Learning to juggle for life

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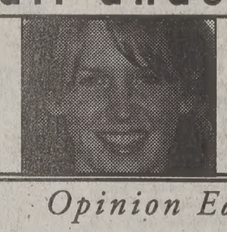

*Opinion Editor*

Okay, I admit it. I'm not a juggler.

Hours of so-called "juggling lessons" from my FHE brother, Don, pounded that reality clearly into my stubborn head.

Don recently invested one Sunday night of his time attempting to share his juggling expertise with me and my roommate. He put on a pretty impressive show — complete with flashy juggling clubs, balls and the works.

Seeing Don's expertise inspired me. He made it look so easy, and I figured I could pick up those same skills in a matter of minutes. After all, how hard could it really be?

Boy, was I ever wrong.

Surprisingly, not a speck of Don's juggling expertise rubbed off on me. And, actually, the majority of that night had him and others laughing at my klutzy attempts to imitate the not-so-easy art of juggling. So, hours after my first fatal attempts with the clubs, I went home — feeling deflated in my once-hopeful aspirations. And as I tried to juggle my old, rolled-up socks in the privacy of my own apartment, I was again disappointed by my inability to do something so apparently simple as juggling.

Eventually, after seeing the ridiculousness of my attempts reflected in my bedroom mirror, I had to laugh at myself too.

But why couldn't I do it?

And, similarly, why can't I juggle the many clubs flying uncontrollably throughout all areas of my life? Why can't I keep the many responsibilities of my Hebrew class, demanding part-time job, relationships, "social life" and church calling from crashing to the ground?

That Sunday night, after giving up on the possibility of becoming a juggling whiz kid, I figured it out.

My problem is that I don't want to juggle; I just want to be a juggler. Like that night at Don's, I'm looking beyond the practice and experience that has to come before I can put on a flashy show like his. I need to enjoy BECOMING a juggler to really become a juggler.

And, actually, I CAN do it. Granted, sometimes I have to drop the social club and pick up the academic one. Then I have to catch the job club and let the rest fall for a minute.

But isn't that what juggling is about? And isn't that what life is — one juggling show after another?

As students we are constantly juggling these clubs of school, social activities, church, work, relationships, families, future careers … and the list goes on.

But years from now, what will really matter? Will it be the countless hours we spent in the library or the big Friday-night dates? Will it be the impressive resumes we've built for ourselves or the jobs and internships we've landed?

When it all comes down to it, I think we will look back and wish we'd been a little more satisfied with our daily juggling shows. We will wish we'd found joy in the journey of life, rather than looking to the future for some lasting happiness.

All of our juggling clubs will matter — if we have enjoyed juggling them. They will matter, not only because they have made us into successful jugglers, but because they have taught us how to enjoy life amid all the chaos.

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## READERS' FORUM

### No more election hype

Dear Editor,

I wish to write about the presidential election, even though everyone is sick of hearing about it, including me. When is this election going to really end? I think we should just be done with it. All of these lawsuits, re-votes and supposedly confusing ballots are tiring me out. They're not helpful, and they are just taking extra time. I think the prolonged time will make it harder for the president, whoever he may be, to get the support he needs from the people.

We should just get this over with and move on; and those Floridians should stop whining about the injustices of this election.

Marissa Wood
Orem

### Quiet the library carts

Dear Editor,

Everyone would agree that the new wing of the library is a great addition to campus. Generally, a quiet and peaceful atmosphere pervades the open atrium and spacious rooms. Yet, from time to time, that stillness is broken by seemingly innocuous intruders — library carts.

Rivaled only by cell phones for their ability to annoy, these re-shelving carts are wheeled to and fro, piercing the silence with their clamorous clatter. The library, that bastion of solitude and silence, should not stand for this intrusion.

Some may argue that buying new carts is an unneeded and wasteful expense. Yet the library is the last refuge for the student seeking silence.

We raise an eyebrow at people who leave their cell phones or pagers on, we stare at those who talk too loud and, yet we force ourselves to ignore the cacophonous carts.

Any local supermarket features hundreds of shopping carts that have functioning — and generally quiet — wheels. Audiovisual carts in classrooms and churches likewise manifest a tendency toward silence. Surely an institution of this caliber can spare a few hundred dollars to buy new carts — or at least some WD-40 for their wheels.

Scott Bramble
Provo

Eric Carlson
Huntington Beach, Calif.

Shelley Isgett
Chapel Hill, N.C.

T. Sterling Stinchfield
San Diego

### Where's the love?

Dear Editor,

I'm writing in response to the two articles written by the sports editors of BYU and the U of U on Nov. 21. They were both offensive to me: Walden for tearing apart our LDS beliefs (I especially didn't like the part about our prophet) and Clairissa Pett for stooping down to that same level.

I thought that going to an LDS school meant being in a place where you can be edified and uplifted in all things. Opening up our own paper and reading garbage like that doesn't exactly live up to the aims of BYU. In the book "In His Steps" by Charles Sheldon, ordinary Christians made a commitment to the WWJD challenge for a whole year. One individual who happened to run a newspaper took out all offensive ads in his paper and refused to print any articles he felt Jesus would not print.

This was all at great financial cost. Now I ask you, could we not do the same for The Daily Universe? Maybe "In His Steps" is just a nice little story, but what have we got to lose if we adapted the same standards? Certainly not money, but perhaps a loss of respect.

Joy Adams
Yuba City, Calif.

### Respecting speakers

Dear Editor,

With all the meetings we attend as members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, one would think that somewhere along the way we would learn the simple meeting etiquette of respecting the speaker, if not the Lord. When did it become acceptable to parade out of a Devotional or fireside upon the speaker saying, "Amen"? This action is very annoying, especially in the Marriott Center — especially at the last fireside given by our prophet. We are all aware that after the speaker is finished customarily there is a hymn followed, always, by a prayer. Stop and think what it looks like when you rush out, trying to get out before the prayer is said. This emphatically communicates disrespect for the Lord.

We understand that you who leave early have "much busier" schedules than any of the rest of us, thus requiring you to pack up and scurry out while the speaker says "Amen." This being the case, next time you see yourself not being able to stay until the meeting is FINISHED, stay home and watch it on television or listen on the radio.

Justin Giles
Fargo, N.D.

Aimee Hill
Sandy, Salt Lake County

Mike Strong
Provo

Aaron Thompson
Austin, Colo.

### Keep library open later

Dear Editor,

I have often been told that the Spirit goes to bed at midnight, but around BYU housing he must stick around until 1:30 Friday nights. Therefore, my roommates and friends get to enjoy an extra hour and a half with their special someones. My question is, why am I denied that glorious time? Every Friday at midnight I am torn from the one and only in my life and must go home to face my roommates and their smug smiles of nearly unconscious delight.

I have come to hate the tune that demands my separation. Just because I am one of the hundreds of single young women here who has nobody but dear, kind, understanding Harold with whom to share my evenings does not mean [illegible] should be stigmatized in this manner.

I apologize to all library employees who have someone to go home to; therefore, think my request unfair. Perhaps the library should only hire people like me. Then maybe I'd get to check the song.

Ann Poulson
Los Angeles

### Smart marriage

Dear Editor,

Marriage is the most important decision one will ever make – it affects every aspect of one's life. However, so many people take this lightheartedly and are unaware of the many factors that promote successful marriages. This is evident in the statistics that show that more than 200,000 marriages in the United States alone end prior to the couple's second anniversary. With the divorce rate above 50 percent, much more consideration should be placed on choosing a mate. Neil Warren's book, "Finding the Love of Your Life," gives several factors to be aware of when choosing a marriage partner. His research shows seven common causes of faulty mate selection:

1) The decision to get married is made too quickly.
2) The decision is made at too young an age.
3) One or both of the persons are too eager to get married.
4) One or both may be choosing a mate to please someone else.
5) The experience base is too narrow.
6) The couple has unrealistic expectations.
7) One or both may have unaddressed personality and behavior problems.

I have observed many couples attending BYU that seem to fall into some of these categories. It appears that couples are in love with the idea of being in love, they meet and get swept into the Hollywood romantic fantasy as they become so excited about the idea of marriage and fail to face reality. With their rose-colored glasses, they feel their dreamboats have arrived and life is about to begin as they fantasize about their fairy tale lives in which they will "live happily ever after."

Much more time, thought and energy go into planning the wedding than into planning the marriage. I believe that if seven areas should be made known by individuals since mate selection is the more crucial than everything else combined to make a marriage succeed. Marriage can be a tremendous blessing or a huge tragedy, and it is up to us to make the best choice.

Lori Larsen
Provo

### Thanks, Yoplait

Dear Editor,

I just wanted to say thank you to [illegible] who organized the collection of Yoplait lids in the fight against breast cancer. I also appreciate the coverage The Daily Universe about the collection of these lids. No one in my family has ever had breast cancer, but I felt that donating my lids I was helping other families, and possibly my own future family, in some way. I personally love yogurt, and when I saw what Yoplait was trying to do I wanted to collect my lids. It was only a few days later that I saw the collection boxes around campus and was so excited. I had found the way I could participate.

So for the whole month of October my roommates, Kent and Craig, and I ate much Yoplait yogurt as we could to save the lids for this cause. It was fun because we ate a lot of good yogurt and we were also able to participate in the fight against breast cancer. So, thanks to those who put it all together and thanks to Yoplait for helping in the fight against breast cancer.

Karl Taylor
Aurora, Colo.

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# YU voices heard on Broadway

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...t of "Les Miserables" is ...ng with the voices of ...dents on Broadway.

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... 22, a senior from Sims... ...onn., majoring in music ...eater, said she fell in love ...s Miserables" when she ...r the first time at age 13. ...e is part of the perform...

... said she always had a ...he might perform in the ...some day, so for fun she ...d a tryout in Salt Lake ...ovember 1999.

...eeks later she was called ...d told she was accepted. ...und her husband, Josh, ...New York City, and she ...acticing with the compa...nuary.

... Boothe, chair of the ...Dance Theater Depart...id Turley came to BYU ... with the kind of voice ...erformers work for all ...s.

...s having a great voice, ...o a strong actress and is ...trying to improve her abilities, he said.

Because of these qualities in Turley, Boothe said he wasn't surprised when she got the part.

"You just can't hold a good talent down," he said.

Turley said she was offered a job playing the lead Cosette for the traveling company, but turned it down so she would not be away from her husband.

Turley is not the only LDS performer on the stage. Kevin Odekirk, a BYU student, was also cast as an understudy.

Odekirk, 23, a sophomore from Irvine, Calif., majoring in music dance theater, said he played an understudy for the role of Marius.

He joined the show in October 1999, but injured his knee during a company softball game last spring, and had to take some time off. He hasn't decided whether he will return to the show in January.

Odekirk said Turley was "fantastic" to work with, and he said he appreciated her upholding LDS standards with him.

"He was my missionary companion on stage," Turley said.

BYU has a history of students performing in "Les Miserables," Boothe said. Christina Michelle Riggs, a former BYU student, performed in the musical before continuing her career in Lex de Azevedo's "Gloria," he said.

Courtesy photo

BYU students Sandra Turley and Kevin Odekirk are understudies for Cosette and Marius, respectively, for "Les Miserables."

# Student illustrates first children's book

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> "I didn't think it would be picked."
> — Emily Allyn, student illustrator

Emily Allyn never expected to see her own work in the BYU Bookstore.

"It is weird to see your work in your own school bookstore, but it is cool," said Allyn, 19, a sophomore from El Cajon, Calif., majoring in illustration.

Allyn drew the pictures for "Anna's Christmas Wish," a book written by Wendy Jones, a children's author.

She said she noticed a flier requesting an illustrator while she was sitting in a drawing class earlier in the year.

The flier requested pencil drawings but it said experience was not necessary, Allyn said. So she sent in a sample.

"I decided to give it a try," she said. "I didn't think I would be picked."

Allyn said she has always loved to draw, but was worried because she does not have much painting experience.

Jones said she had been working on a book for the holiday season and wanted someone else to draw the pictures.

She fell in love with Allyn's drawing because it fit the charm of the book, Jones said.

"It was amazing how well Emily's drawings fit with what I imagined them to be," she said.

It is important to have the illustrations right, Jones said. They must add to the book.

The nature of the book required traditional drawings with a rustic feeling, Allyn said.

Each of her drawings took four hours to complete, she said. The whole project took about a month.

Allyn said she is grateful for the experience.

"Take any opportunity, even if you don't think you are qualified," she said. "And do the best you can."

Allyn said she wants to continue to look for opportunities to illustrate books.

"This was not a huge opportunity. But it was a step," she said.

# ookstore goes Webward with online textbook listings by fall

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...U Bookstore is working ...n online book list by Fall ...: 2001.

...Reynolds, director of the ...ookstore, said the book ... be accessible through ...three different ways.

A link will be in the Route Y interchange and two in the AIM program.

One will be a printable text file and the other one will be next to each class a student is registered for, he said.

"The objective is to have the book list with the class list," Reynolds said.

The idea is for students to be able to view the books required for their classes and the price of each book, both new and used.

Brent Laker, assistant director of the BYU Bookstore, said the online book list would be helpful.

"You can have your book information as soon as we get it," he said.

This would allow students to know what they need early, Laker said.

The BYU Bookstore is concerned that students might begin buying more of their books from online bookstores, Laker said.

But the BYU Bookstore supports students in buying their books from wherever they want, he said.

"We are not a monopoly. We are not holding anyone hostage to buy their books here," Laker said.

There are advantages for students to buy their books from the BYU Bookstore, he said.

One of those advantages is buyback, which Laker said is one of the largest in the country.

If a substantial number of students buy from other sources than the Bookstore, the number of books the Bookstore will buy back at the end of the semester will go down and students will ultimately feel the impact, he said.

The standard percentage paid on buyback in the country is 50 percent or less, at BYU the average is 60 percent, Laker said.

Price is another advantage to the BYU Bookstore, he said.

It is comparable in price to online bookstores and less than most other college bookstores, Laker said.

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# Church service missionary to assist Jacobsen Center

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The Jacobsen Center for Service and Learning has appointed its first church service missionary to help create an environment of service at BYU.

Harvey Black, husband of BYU religion professor Susan Easton Black, has been called to work in the Jacobsen Center for the next 18 months.

This appointment is in harmony with the goals of the center, to expand service opportunities to everyone, said Jim Backman, co-director of the Jacobsen Center.

"We are anxious to find ways to increase the opportunities for service and learning," Backman said. "We will be able to extend our reach out into the community."

Mr. Black will help students organize presentations to teach the benefits that service has for the giver and receiver.

"Harvey Black will help us get out into the community, and share what we stand for," Backman said.

The Jacobsen Center has programs to facilitate service through BYUSA, academic internships and international programs, he said. Black will help the center spread the word about those programs.

Students will be directly benefited by this appointment, he said.

Backman said students will be enriched by Mr. Black's experiences and more fully understand what they have learned while giving service.

Mr. Black said he is looking forward to working with the Jacobsen Center.

"All my life, I have found that service is a very rewarding part of my life," he said.

Mr. Black, a registered psychologist, said that during his professional career he tried to reach out and give help to those in pain.

This is Mr. Black's ninth assignment as a service missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He has worked as a psychologist for LDS Social Services and as a translator for the missionary program.

Mr. Black has also served and learned from the people of Argentina, Peru and Chile.

The people of Third World countries have few material possessions, but they are willing to help and give service, he said.

As a church service missionary at the Jacobsen Center, Mr. Black said he would help students tell others about the service experiences. Anyone who has been involved in service is very excited and wants to share his or her excitement with others, he said.

Jan Scharman, vice president of student life, said the decision to appoint a church service missionary to help the Jacobsen Center was approved because of the reach it could provide beyond the university. A church service missionary would serve the university, the students and the church, she said.

Mr. Black will work closely with students to build the program in a way that could not be done with current personnel, Scharman said.

# Creativity enhances history class

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For some BYU students, creativity is an appealing alternative to traditional general education classes.

The History of Creativity class sponsored a fair Monday to showcase some of the imaginations of its students. The class satisfies the history of civilization credit.

About 250 students displayed their creations at the School of Technology's Creativity Day in the Crabtree Building.

The exposition gave students a chance to unlock their personal creativity, said Brent Strong, a professor of manufacturing engineering technology.

The term projects displayed at the Creativity Day reflect how the students integrate art, music and technology from a creative standpoint, he said.

"The wide breadth of projects shows the talent and ingeniousness of BYU students," said Mary Dondiego, public relations coordinator for the School of Technology.

Students were allowed to do anything creative, from artwork and music composition to tech gadgets and furniture building, she said.

While some projects took only a few days from start to finish, others took much longer.

Tirzah Hiller, 19, a sophomore from Centerville, Davis County, majoring in home economics, said she spent 10 months making a tapestry that will be displayed in the Home Economics Department.

The tapestry is significant because it will display the names of student recipients of a home economics award, she said.

Designing the pattern, transferring it onto fabric and embroidering the names and flowers on the tapestry required more than 800 yards of thread, she said.

Dressed as a monk, Enoch McDowell, 24, a senior from Prescott, Ariz., majoring in manufacturing engineering, took a different creative approach to his project.

A sampling of mincemeat p... simple cheesecake and almo... milk represents what peasa... ate in medieval times, he said.

He said a love of cooking a... history inspired him to prepar... basic medieval-style meal.

A few students combined c... ativity, resourcefulness a... vision to make their proje... work.

Krista Cornish, 19, a soph... more from Florence, Mon... majoring in industrial desi... said her project incorporat... poetry, music and lights, all... which appeal to the senses.

Entitled "The FOREST n... just the TREES," the proj... gives people a sensational ex... rience, Cornish said.

She said she wants people... "experience" her project.

Students Natalie Jones, 20... junior from Ritchfield, Con... majoring in marketing comm... nications, and Travis La... made a clay gargoyle that d... bles as a fountain.

"I think, more than anythi... this project made us utilize ... creativity," Jones said.


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# ...nbreakable' similar to 'The Sixth Sense'

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Touchstone Pictures' action thriller, "Unbreakable," stars Samuel L. Jackson, left, as Elijah Price, and Bruce Willis, center, as David Dunn, the sole survivor of a catastrophic train wreck.

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...ry/fail sequences between ...David is learning about ... and what Elijah is trying ...out about David and him-

The idea behind "Unbreakable" is just as good and intriguing as "The Sixth Sense." However, the movie is not as much for quick entertainment as it is for thinking.

The music, or rather the lack of it, is very similar to "The Sixth Sense" but is not as effective.

The silence in scenes keeps the viewers detached from the movie, leaving them with a little dissatisfaction after the film is over.

Nevertheless, the music is well placed and draws the viewer into the film.

*-Film Review-*

**Unbreakable**

PG: some violence, language, adult situations

**Daily Universe rating: ★★★ 1/2**

# Y students and grads dance in Disney's 'Luck of the Irish'

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Nine BYU students and graduates had the opportunity to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in November.

The dancers were cast as Irish step dancers in "Luck of the Irish," a Disney TV movie scheduled to air around St. Patrick's Day.

The dancers play a key role, said Jared Christensen, choreographer of the "Luck of the Irish."

The story is about a boy searching for his heritage with a lucky coin as his only clue, he said.

He finds that same emblem on the coin at an Irish dance concert, Christensen said. However the boy encounters Saint of the Step, an evil Irish dancer who steals the coin.

This dance concert is a reference point throughout the movie, he said.

Kristina Shelley, BYU graduate and Dance Department faculty, conducted the audition and worked with the dancers.

Christensen has not worked with Irish dancing before, Shelley said.

He wanted dancers from BYU because part of the movie was being filmed in Utah.

There are many skilled Irish dancers outside of Utah, but it was easier to film here, Shelley said.

"I know the kind of dancers BYU has and I knew that they would represent the Irish community well," said Christensen, a BYU graduate.

Once on the set, the dancers received star treatment.

Cammie Van Katwyk, 20, a junior from Vacaville, Calif., majoring in English teaching, was chosen to dance in the film.

Makeup artists airbrushed foundation on the dancers and added glitter, jewels, nail polish and ringlets to make the women look glamorous, she said.

Pipe red dresses for the women and billowy shirts for the men completed the look, Shelley said.

Shelley described the costuming and dance steps as dramatic and showy like "Riverdance."

But there were some parts of the experience that were not so luxurious, such as waiting while the actors filmed the same cut multiple times, Van Katwyk said.

However, Christensen was pleased with the outcome and said that the dancers surpassed his expectations.

"It was an exciting experience I will never forget," Van Katwyk said. " But I was glad it was only a couple of days."

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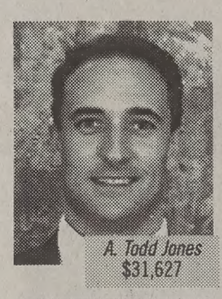
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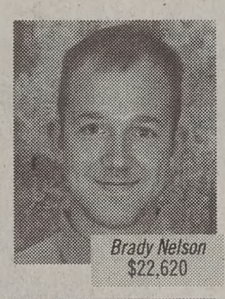
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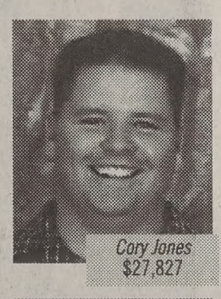
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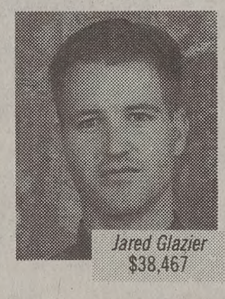
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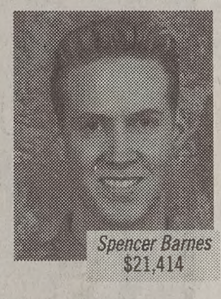
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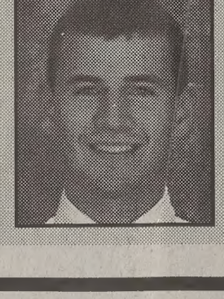

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# X-treme Football League promises to heat up game

## Rule changes expected to bring excitement

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Football fans everywhere can now take their football fanaticism past the limits of college football and the National Football League.

The World Wrestling Federation and NBC have combined to come up with a new slant on football — the X-treme Football League.

The season will start in February. The XFL hopes the timing will appeal to those whose appetites are only whet from the short NFL season.

"There's a lull (in February) and football fans are cut loose," said Phil Stamper, sales and marketing coordinator for the Las Vegas XFL team, the Outlaws.

Scheduling is designed so the two seasons don't conflict and the leagues won't be competing for audiences.

Stamper said he doesn't think fan attendance will be a problem.

"True football fans don't ever get sick of football," he said.

The Outlaws have already sold 5000 season tickets — five times the number as they thought they would by now, Stamper said.

Longtime football fan and BYU offensive line coach Roger French said he is looking forward to the new league and the return to the way football was 40 years ago.

"I think it's trying to be a little bit of a throwback of how football used to be when they got after each other, no holds barred," he said.

The XFL will change some rules to give fans a "more fun, more exciting, faster paced game and more physical play," Stamper said.

Changes include no fair catches, only one foot needs to be inbounds for a catch and teams must go for the two-point conversion after a touchdown.

The XFL is doing it for the fans.

"They want entertainment: the dancing, the taunting and the physical play," he said. "There are no celebrating penalties whatsoever. Actually, celebrating is encouraged."

Thirty-eight cameras will fill the stadium (28 are used in the Super Bowl) and many players will be miked to provide audio with all replays.

Of course, the audio will be somewhat screened for content and the players will know to keep it clean, Stamper said.

"Obviously you are going to have some people flip," he said. But there will not be anything said that you wouldn't see watching a pro-wrestling match."

Money will be a different issue all together.

Starting salaries are meager when compared to the NFL — $55,000 for quarterbacks and $45,000 for everyone else.

But the XFL is giving an incentive to win. After every win the team will split $100,000 and after making it to the playoffs they will split $250,000.

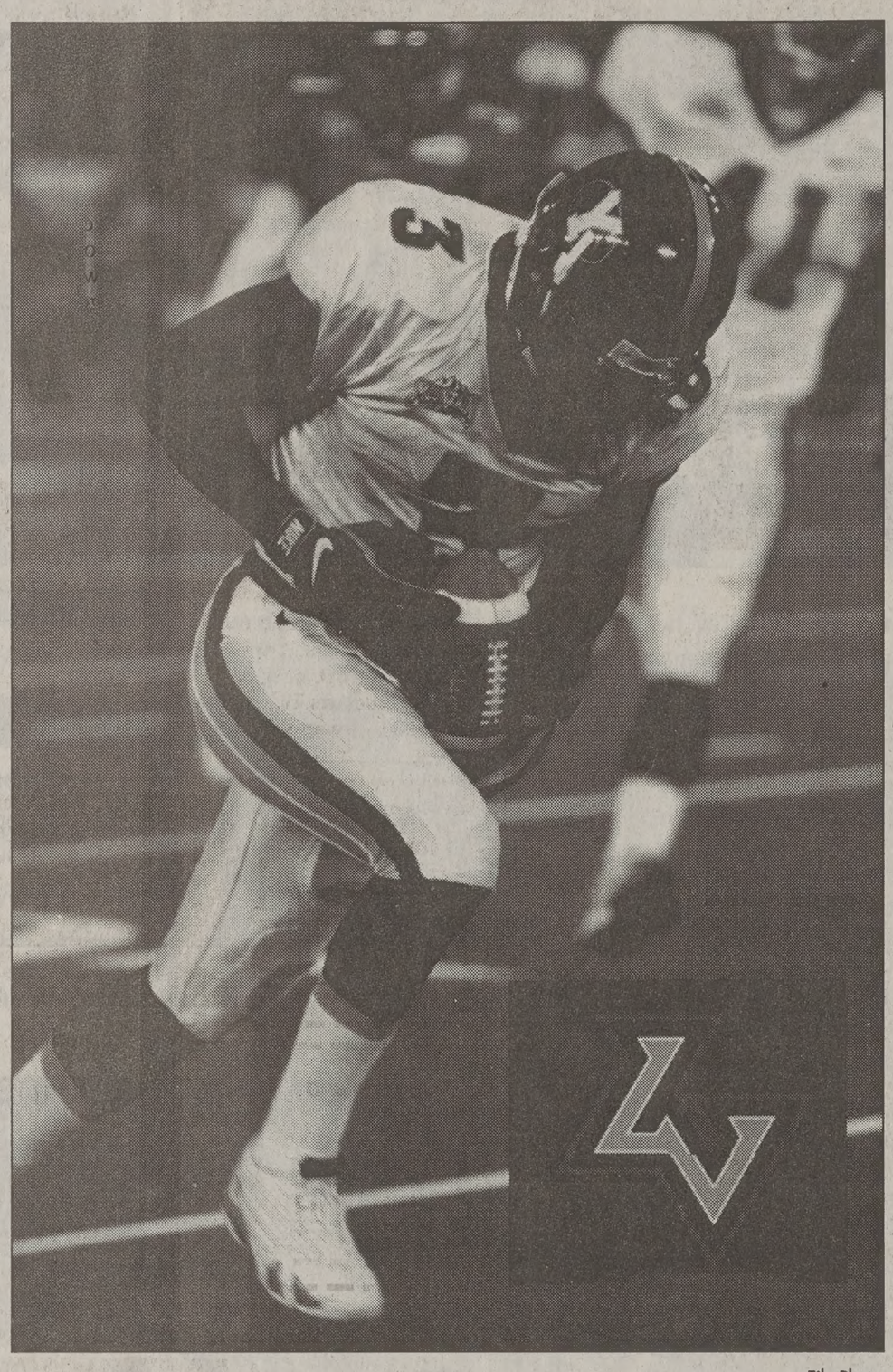
A championship brings $1 million for the winning team to share.

But will there be all the WWF hype?

"A lot of people think that it will be staged; that's not true," Stamper said.

"It will be all the flair with real football going on inside the arena — big screens, fireworks and the best looking cheerleaders of any pro league," he said.

# Former Cougs chosen by XFL



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Former Cougar Brian Gray intercepts a ball during last year's Motor City Bowl. Gray will play with the Las Vegas Outlaws in the XFL in February.

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A new X-treme Football League may soon be taking a place in the hearts of BYU fans.

Six former BYU football players were either drafted or reserved by XFL teams in the league's first draft.

Brian Gray, Scott Brumfield, Eric Bateman, Mike Ulafale, Shay Muirbrook and Kaipo McGuire have been offered the chance to play in the newly organized league. Gray, last year's cornerback for BYU, has decided to play in the XFL.

"It should be a good opportunity to get back into the league (NFL)," he said. Gray was recently released by the Cincinnati Bengals.

He was one of three BYU alumni reserved by the XFL's Las Vegas Outlaws.

Each XFL team was randomly given three colleges to reserve players from before the draft.

Former BYU offensive tackle Brumfield, who graduated from BYU in 1991, was picked as a reserve player although he said he is probably not going to participate.

"I'm just getting older," he said.

Brumfield played offensive guard for the Bengals and is now in his first year as the head football coach at Spanish Fork High School.

He said he thinks the XFL will be able to find enough talented players to make up a good competitive league.

"I've been in the NFL long enough to know there are good players who don't make it, maybe they should have, but they get overlooked," he said.

BYU defensive tackle Chris Hoke will graduate in December and said he sees the XFL as a possibility.

"If I didn't make it to the NFL I would consider going into it," he said. "It could end up like the minor leagues of the NFL."

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Snowflakes may dramatically increase brain cell count and IQ scores.

Just ask anyone associated with Utah's ski and snowboard industry.

Ryan Brooks is the ski manager at Park's Sportsman, a local sporting goods store.

"It sure makes you look a lot smarter when it snows. Suddenly, product goes out the door and what was too many coats last year turns into not enough coats this year," he said.

Brooks said an extra three to four weeks of cold weather make a huge difference to a retailer's bottom line.

Retailers aren't the only ones praising the recent snowfall.

"Thank goodness for Thanksgiving snow," said Onno Wieringa, general manager of Alta Ski Resort.

Wieringa said that this year isn't out of the ordinary if snowfall for the last 10 years is taken into account.

Skiers and snowboarders alike are especially thankful for holiday powder.

Daniel Stewart, 23, a student from Las Vegas, majoring in history, is also an avid skier.

"This is the type of Utah weather that I remember hearing about; tons of dry powder and good times all winter long," he said.

Stewart said that one of the reasons he decided to go to BYU is its proximity to the mountains and good skiing.

"It came down to BYU and the University of Utah. For skiing purposes they are almost the same, but the academics are better here at the Y," he said.

Resorts have spent millions of dollars to refit their terrain with new snowmaking equipment, just in case Mother Earth is late with "The Best Snow on Earth."

Jerry Warren, director of mountain operations at Sundance, said snowmaking was a big priority for most resorts this year.

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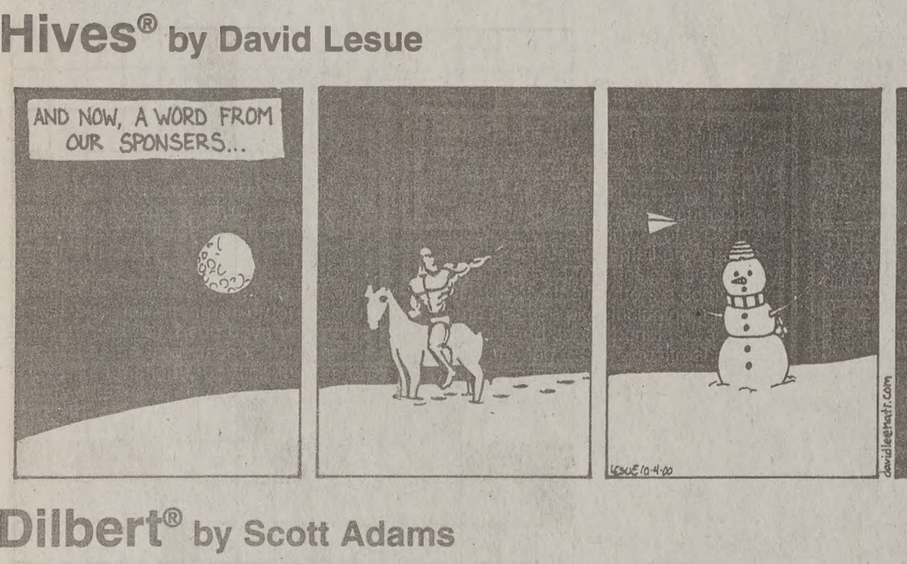


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# Holiday mail deadlines creep closer

**By Rachael Wilson**
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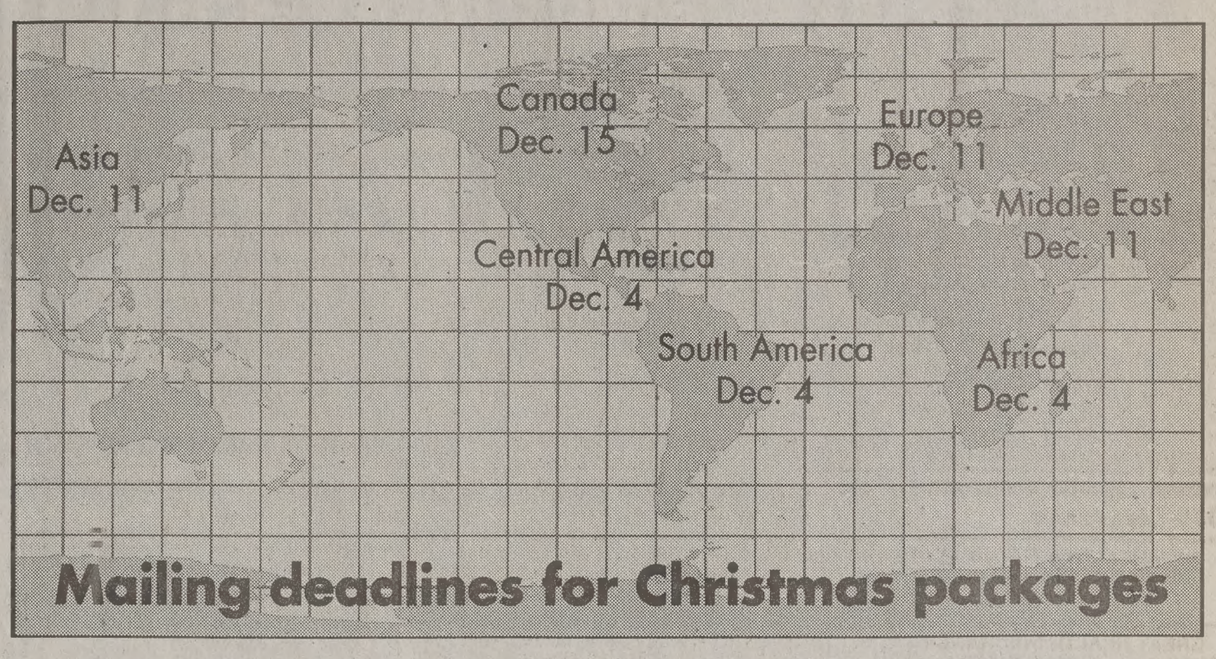


Even the best of intentions will not help individuals who procrastinate mailing their holiday greetings this year.

Holiday mail being sent to Africa, Central America or South America should be in the mail by Monday, according to a news release from the U.S. Postal Service. Mail going to any other country should be sent by Dec. 11.

While the fast-approaching deadlines are for international mail, now is a good time to mail all holiday cards and packages, regardless of destination, said Salt Lake City Postmaster Ralph Hamilton.

The same rules also apply to the post office on campus, said LoyAnn Rose, manager of BYU's University Station.

"Those dates are recommended for efficient holiday delivery. Mailing early is the trick," she said. "The holiday season is very busy and the closer it gets to the holidays the bigger the volume of mail."

Mail is processed slower because of the busy holiday season, she said.

Other suggestions for guaranteeing delivery of holiday mail are to make sure it is appropriately wrapped and legibly addressed. The sender should also have knowledge of what is in the package to fill out customs forms, Rose said.

The proposed deadlines are actually just reliable guidelines for those trying to make a holiday delivery, said Theixi Hauenstein, customer relations coordinator for the Salt Lake Postal Service.

"We have a schedule that allows mail to get to its destination in plenty of time," Hauenstein said.

"This is not an absolute must, but following the guidelines will help people avoid the disappointment that accompanies late deliveries."

The U.S. Postal Service expects 20 billion mail pieces for this holiday season. This averages to approximately 150 million pieces a day, she said.

"Although we are staffing extra employees and transportation for the season, getting mail in early will alleviate the last-minute rush and provide a piece of mind for the holidays," Hauenstein said.

# . Supreme Court debates rijuana, election districts

*d Press*

upreme Court took these Monday:
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rd arguments on how to judge when race plays too large a role in drawing election districts. The North Carolina case is a follow-up to the justices' landmark 1993 ruling that election districts drawn to help minorities might violate white voters' rights. The justices are expected to issue a decision by July that could affect the racial makeup of voting districts nationwide.

• Said it will use a dispute over health care benefits paid to a man injured in a car accident to clarify whether health plans can sue to enforce some requirements. A California company says it can sue in federal court to force a man to give back his health benefits because he later got payment from another source.

• Turned down a challenge by South Carolina gambling operators against the state's new ban on possession of video gambling machines. The gambling operators said the ban, which took effect in July when the state outlawed video gambling, amounted to the government's unlawful taking of their property without payment.

# Nativity draws visitors to Temple Square

**By Krystal Baker**
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The cold and snow has not stopped visitors from coming to view the new nativity at Temple Square.

The scene features life-like figures in authentic-looking clothing. Mary, Joseph and the Christ child are all new this year along with the shepherds, wise men and camels.

The shepherds are dressed in earth tones, in contrast to the wise men, who wear brighter hues of blue, gold, red and orange.

The nativity is not housed in the traditional wood stable, but one carved out of stone and earth. Biblical scholars say the natural setting is Christ's birthplace, according to a news release from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The only thing out of place in the nativity scene is the snow.

Music featuring the Mormon Tabernacle Choir singing "Away in a Manger" and "Silent Night" follows the presentation of the story of Christ's birth.

Concluding the presentation, LDS Church President Gordon B. Hinckley bears testimony of Christ's divine mission in a prerecorded message.

"This is a wondrous and true story of Christmas. The birth of Jesus in Bethlehem of Judea is preface. The three-year ministry of the master — the Jehovah, is prologue.

"The epilogue is the miracle of the resurrection, bringing the assurance that in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive," Hinckley said.

> "This is a great place to bring friends. It's a relaxed environment where it is easy for them to ask questions."
> — Sister Hill, Temple Square LDS missionary

The display of the nativity scene and the Christmas lights on Temple Square draw several referrals, said Sister Hill, a missionary serving on Temple Square.

"This is a great place to bring friends," she said. "It's a relaxed environment where it is easy for them to ask questions."

The presentation of the nativity runs daily from 5 to 10 p.m. The lights on Temple Square will continue through Jan. 9.

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# uslims celebrate holy month

*ted Press*

O, Egypt — The mood th festive and contempla- Muslims began their holinth Monday, lighting spenterns, watching holiday ograms and enjoying spe- als to mark the end of daily

g Ramadan — which lasts s — observant Muslims from eating, drinking, g, and sexual intercourse n sunrise and sunset to lly renew themselves. The commemorates when the the Muslim holy book, revealed to the prophet mad about 1,400 years

also a time of festivity as s indulge in special foods, inment and cultural tradin Egypt, Jordan and other ies in the Middle East, ctors provide millions of eals to the poor, while in children dress in tradicostumes and go door-to- inging religious songs in for nuts and candy.

adan is a special time for for prayer, for meeting , for everything," said d Abu Ela of Cairo.

As the first day of fasting wound down in the Egyptian capital, traffic came to a halt in the hours leading up to iftar, or breakfast, as people whose nerves were frayed by lack of food — and more often than not, cigarettes — frantically tried to get home.

By the time the mosques announced the sunset prayer and a cannon at Saladin's citadel fired a round to proclaim the end of the day's fast, millions of the nation's less fortunate had gathered to eat free iftar meals provided by rich benefactors, mosques and other charities.

The tradition, known as "tables of mercy," dates back 1,000 years, when the Fatimid caliphs in Cairo first decreed that the poor should be fed throughout Ramadan.

In Egypt, an estimated 6 million people — or 10 percent of the population — frequent such tables. In Iraq an even higher percentage of the population is expected to rely on free meals, as millions suffer from food shortages caused by a decade of U.N. economic sanctions imposed after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

"It reflects the true Islam," said Mohammed Abu Youssef as he and hundreds of others broke into their iftar meals of dates, bread and beans on mats around the venerated El-Hussein Mosque in Cairo's medieval Islamic quarter. Dates are the traditional food for breaking the fast.

"Ramadan is the only time you will find this," Abu Youssef said.

At the other end of the scale, five-star hotels offer sumptuous iftar buffets and multicourse meals as well as live music and other entertainment until dawn.

After the fast is broken, streets throughout the Middle East fill up as people head out to shop, eat, pray or gather with friends for a game of backgammon at a coffee shop. Many people stay out until 2 or 3 a.m.

Another favorite family gathering spot is in front of the television. Ramadan has long been the highlight of the year for Arab TV watchers, and this year Egypt has produced hundreds of hours of programming, from soap operas to dramatic series for viewing all over the Arabic world.

With Muslims eating their "breakfast" at sundown and having their morning meal before sunrise and then returning to sleep, daily schedules are turned upside down as people spend more time awake at night and businesses adjust their hours.

# ivals try to bring down Barak

*ted Press*

USALEM — Palestinians d fire on the Jewish neighod of Gilo in east lem after nightfall ay, shattering what had relatively quiet day, while Prime Minister Ehud scrambled to rescue his ment from collapse.

made a last-minute appeal hard-line opposition to join a national emergency govnt, but his rivals appeared ined to bring down his sty government and force ions.

The first time in three weeks, e was killed Monday in the Bank and Gaza Strip as inian Muslims marked the of the holy month of an. Israeli soldiers fired ne guns at the Palestinian of Beit Jalla, source of the e at Gilo. No casualties reported.

li soldiers killed five armed inians late Sunday as they from the West Bank city of ya into an area under Israeli l. The Israeli army said the inians had opened fire earlian Israeli car.

istinian spokesman Marwan Kanafani said the five were innocent people who were not on their way to attack Israelis.

On Tuesday, the Knesset, Israel's parliament, was to vote on a bill to call elections. Barak's coalition government commands only 30 of the 120 members of parliament, but an election bill requires an absolute majority of 61 to pass. Tuesday's vote is on the first of three readings.

Barak has had on-again, off-again contacts with hard-line Likud leader Ariel Sharon about forming an emergency coalition, but Sharon has demanded that Barak first abandon major points of his peace efforts, including concessions offered to the Palestinians in July at a failed Camp David summit.

Barak hinted Monday that he may be willing to accept Sharon's demands. Barak told his Labor party that a Cabinet including the Likud could "re-examine" government proposals, including those raised at Camp David.

Also, Barak proposed "a long-term interim agreement" with the Palestinians instead of a peace treaty. The Palestinians rejected that. "What we are looking for is reaching a final agreement that will solve all the issues," said Palestinian negotiator Ahmed Qureia. "We don't want partial agreements."

Despite Barak's efforts to save his government, Likud members said they had the support of more than 61 lawmakers for the Tuesday vote.

The Likud appealed a ruling by Knesset Speaker Avraham Burg requiring a 61-vote majority on preliminary readings, but the Supreme Court did not give an immediate decision.

In a last-minute maneuver, Barak's party was considering turning the vote into a no-confidence motion, which might trap some of his opponents into voting with him. Elections are slated for 2003, but most analysts believe Barak will be forced to call elections next year.

Barak hopes to reach a peace agreement with the Palestinians and make it the focus of his election platform.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, who met with Israeli Cabinet Minister Amnon Lipkin-Shahak on Saturday, has indicated that he is interested in resuming contacts. Military officers have had several meetings since then, a start toward renewed security cooperation.

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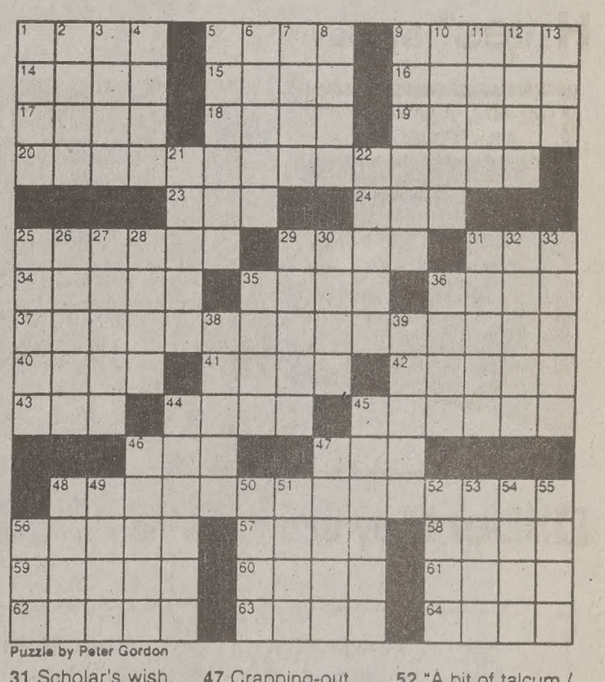
**ACROSS**
1 Concession stand purchase
5 Egyptian snakes
9 Lox holder
14 Whaler of fiction
15 Wing tip, e.g.
16 Item in a Greek salad
17 River the Aswan Dam dams
18 Chimney residue
19 Interlaced
20 One who's handy around the house
23 Gallery display
24 Deep black
25 Highlight
29 Sly look
31 Run up the phone bill
34 [Oh, that's awful!]
35 Painter Chagall
36 Florence's river
37 2000 hit album by Britney Spears
40 Fall color
41 Psychiatrist's response
42 Thickheaded
43 Orangutan, for one
44 Abbr. on a business letter
45 Learn completely
46 One marching in a column
47 Bart, to Homer Simpson
48 Comment to a klutz
56 Fleshy fruit
57 Quitting time, often
58 Forest measure
59 La Scala offering
60 Change from a cashier
61 Tibia
62 Pops
63 Mailed
64 Party thrower

**DOWN**
1 Hourglass fill
2 Buckeye's home
3 Mustachioed Surrealist
4 Help in a heist
5 Classify
6 Vociferate
7 Poverty-stricken
8 Match parts
9 One who hopes for strikes
10 In the air
11 Donate
12 Penultimate fairy tale word
13 Novelist Deighton
21 New Age musician of note
22 Oust
25 Ancient Greek marketplace
26 Infant's illness
27 Small woods
28 N.L. ___
29 Burdened
30 Buffalo's lake
31 Scholar's wish, maybe
32 Licoricelike flavor
33 Cause for a head-slap?
35 Atomizer's output
36 Forever
38 "Hi & Lois" child
39 "A Bell for ___"
44 Nonetheless
45 Not boastful
46 Bestow
47 Crapping-out throw
48 Auto parts brand
49 Newspaper page for essayists
50 ET's transports
51 Grape plant
52 "A bit of talcum / Is always walcum" poet
53 Comeback
54 Part of the eye
55 Camping gear
56 Pea holder



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# Yugoslavia postpones deadline for NATO

*Associated Press*

BUJANOVAC, Yugoslavia — Yugoslavia postponed a deadline Monday it had set for NATO to curb Kosovo Albanian militants on the Kosovo border — saying it wanted to give diplomacy a chance before launching a counterattack to drive out rebels who have killed four Serb policemen.

The new, democratic government of President Vojislav Kostunica had threatened to launch a counterattack on its side of the boundary unless NATO stopped rebel infiltration by 7 p.m. (1 p.m. EST) Monday.

A Serbian deputy prime minister, Nebojsa Covic, said the deadline was extended indefinitely after the NATO-led Kosovo Force "demanded that we not use the language of deadlines and ultimatums, but that of diplomacy and agreements."

"So, everything is simply postponed," he said after visiting Serb police positions near the village of Lucane.

NATO-led peacekeepers said they had been aiding negotiations between the militants and the Serb police. U.S. Staff Sgt. Patrick McGuire, a NATO spokesman, said both sides had agreed to a cease-fire until Friday.

Covic said the NATO force in Kosovo "bears the full and exclusive responsibility" for making sure the ethnic Albanian militants withdraw from the area.

Kosovo is a province of Serbia, Yugoslavia's main republic, but it has been under international control since June 1999 under an agreement which ended NATO's 78-day bombing of Yugoslavia. The air campaign was launched to stop former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's crackdown on Kosovo Albanian separatists.

> "The Serbian government will do everything to resolve the crisis by political and peaceful means."
>
> — Stevan Nikcevic, Serbian co-minister of the interior

The crisis erupted again last week when ethnic Albanian militants of the "Liberation Army of Presevo, Medvedja and Bujanovac" attacked Serb positions in the Presevo Valley in order to unite the area with Kosovo.

Although the area has a substantial ethnic Albanian population, the valley was not considered part of Kosovo and therefore was not included in the agreement that sent NATO peacekeepers into the Serbian province. Serb police say they will use all available means, including heavy weapons, to regain territory lost to the militants, who killed four policemen Tuesday and seized police positions near the boundary between Kosovo and the rest of southern Serbia.

The government believes the attacks in southern Serbia were launched by ethnic Albanian extremists operating from Kosovo, which has been under NATO and U.N. control for nearly 18 months.

"The Serbian government will do everything to resolve the crisis by political and peaceful means," said Stevan Nikcevic, one of Serbia's three co-ministers of the interior. "At the same time, we have to protect the territorial integrity of the country so the terrorists don't jeopardize any lives of our citizens."

Despite the decision to extend the deadline, the government continued bringing in reinforcements in case diplomacy fails.

Heavily armed Serbian security forces, including their dreaded special anti-terrorist unit called SAJ, were seen moving near the three-mile demilitarized zone between Kosovo and southern Serbia.

On Sunday, Yugoslav army T55 battle tanks and armored personnel carriers could be seen maneuvering near the buffer zone.

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The incidents cast doubt on NATO's ability to control Kosovo and also present a major crisis to Kostunica's government, which must defend the area without provoking the same international condemnation that accompanied Milosevic's crackdown.

In Vienna, Austria, on Monday, Kostunica denounced the United Nations and NATO for their stewardship of Kosovo. In an address to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Kostunica claimed ethnic Albanian "terrorists" were trying to intimidate Serbs and Albanians alike.

He said it was "crystal clear" that NATO and the United Nations "failed to do their job properly" by curbing Kosovo Albanian militants.

Kostunica said he was cutting short his stay in Vienna because of the deteriorating situation in southern Serbia. He warned the crisis there "could set the whole region ablaze" and scuttle attempts to restore stability to the southern Balkans.

In Kosovo, Peter Deck of the U.N. refugee agency said that more than 2,000 people, mostly ethnic Albanians, have trickled out of troubled region since the crisis started.

Early Monday, a tractor carrying an Albanian family trying to flee the zone toward Kosovo hit an anti-tank mine. A 10-year-old boy was killed, police said.

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